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## PATRIOTISM

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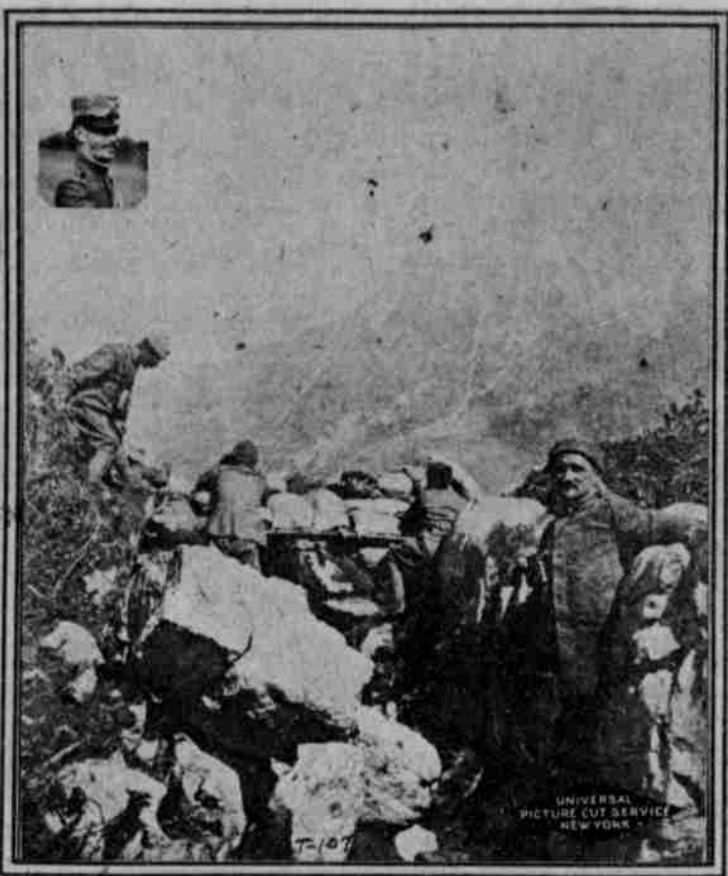
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### FATHER WAYNE'S GOOD WORDS

The high character of the patriot-ism of the Irish, not only in their own beautiful island over the sea, but in every country to which they have emigrated, needs no comment, for it stands forth as one of the great historic facts of the world. In the present great crisis which confronts our country none have responded with greater patriotism or alacrity than the sturdy Irish, who have sought in this war, refuge from the sorrows and trials that have oppressed and still oppress that noble race in their own. The proclamation made by the President of the United States that "we were in this war for the liberty and freedom of small nations," and that "democracy may be saved to the world" roused the deepest patriotism of the American people, for indelibly stamped upon their hearts is the memory of our own heroic struggle for freedom and the liberty and independence which we enjoy. To secure this liberty and independence for others is the object of this war. Our President has so declared. As the Rev. Father Wayne so nobly said in a recent speech in New York: "If we ask for freedom for Belgium, why not for Poland? If for Alsace and Lorraine why not for Ireland?" Why not, indeed? And therefore we can not but express surprise at the remark so recently uttered by the Rev. Dr. Guilday, of the Catholic University at Washington, "to forget all about Ireland" in the present war. Forget about Ireland? Tell the American people to forget about Ireland and her heroic struggle for freedom and independence when she is making the same battle we made, animated by the same principles which animated the hearts of our own forefathers when they threw off the yoke of bondage, and declared that these United States are and of right ought to be free and independent? "Forget about Ireland," when President Wilson has declared for the freedom and safety of small nations and that democracy must be secured to the world! Down in the trenches in France the Irish soldiers are fighting, and bravely. Shall their blood be shed in vain? The Northern paper in the headline in bold type the announcement that President Wilson is about to reiterate the platform on which we stand, and why we entered into this world-war. Let us hope that this platform will demand the freedom and independence, not only of Belgium and Alsace and Lorraine, but of Poland and Ireland, and all the small nations so gallantly struggling for freedom and independence. The following beautiful tribute to the high character of the Irish patriot-ism appeared in the last issue of the National Hibernian:

"The attachment to religion may be accounted the chief devotional trait of the Irish people. But their exalted patriotism is certainly one of their most splendid virtues. Both in Ireland and America it has responded to the highest impulses, and risen glowing and fearless to meet every crisis. The spectacle which the world witnesses today is the most remarkable test of Irish patriotism to which the race has ever been subjected by the strange course of destiny, yet without a moment's hesitation the mighty heart of the Irish in America turned with generous affection—strong as the pillars of death, fierce as mother-love for its own—to offer the last sacrifice for the defence and the triumph of the great republic. Political dreams and memories of ages of wrong were laid aside. Under the magic spell of the tocsin of peril the aspirations of the race, treasured for eight hundred years, were laid aside that all Irish hands might be free to grasp the sword for the land where the rights of man had been vindicated by Irish genius and defended by Irish arms. The character of Irish patriotism has its origin in the cradleland, although it finds its most supreme exercise in America. Next to God the Irish people have ever placed love of country. They have cherished it above earthly treasures, and lavished upon it the purest and noblest sentiments of the heart. In the ashes of defeat in the desolation of famine, in the graves of their martyrs the Irish people in whatever country they are dispersed see the vital spark of patriotism. The fragrant fruit of glorious triumph, denied flowering in the land of their origin, has been watered by the blood of the Irish emigrant, whose sons now rush to hold what the dead have won. The full force of stified achievement, struggling to burst forward path in Ireland, finds across the sea its field of endeavor—full brotherhood in citizenship and glad comradeship in all the enterprises of peace and war. Thus the deep homage of Irish gratitude went forth to the only land which welcomed the emigrant, and with the gratitude there is a pride in the imperishable deeds wrought by



WHERE ITALIAN VICTORIES WERE WON.

High up in the mountains the Italian army has fought its way to Cardona. Photo shows Italian victory under leadership of Gen. Postupalsky watching the Austrians.

Irish toil and Irish sacrifice. The civil and political institutions in America typify the institutions which have been the ideal of patriotism in Ireland, and the race of soldiers now gladly follows the taster which burns in the fame of Barry and of Carroll, of Meagher and of Shields, sure that the divine gift of liberty which blesses this land will rest in all its beauty in the old land—sure also that every blow for freedom here is a blow for freedom there.

"Aye, let it be so. When the war is over let Americans remember this, and in the final peace settlement let us demand as an act of justice absolute independence for the Irish republic."

No matter where they happen to be stationed, Uncle Sam's "Jackies" always give special attention to the celebration of the feast of Christmas. The men are granted special leave of absence to visit their families, if within a reasonable distance. When chance locates them in a foreign port, they are allowed extra "shore leave," and usually make trips to some interesting city, paying a visit if possible to some famous church or the Christmas services. They are also given one of the most elaborate dinners of the year, whether in port or at sea; for, if it becomes necessary at this season to take a voyage, stores for the Christmas dinner are taken aboard before sailing. In port the ship is decorated with "greens," both inside and out, and the day is devoted to making Christmas merry for the men whose duties require them to remain on board or near the ship. Sports and games add to the pleasure of the day, and in the evening the ship's minstrel troupe generally gives an entertainment. The singing of Yuletide carols is a delightful feature of Christmas eve.

Notwithstanding the war and high costs resulting therefrom, the Catholic Knights of America have passed through the year with marked success. President Gaudin and the Supreme officers have just caused to feel proud of the record, which includes many new branches and a marked increase in membership in many of the older ones. This great Catholic fraternal insurance society has now \$1,200,000 in its reserve fund, and so invested as to bring substantial returns.

The Shelby Democratic Club has everything ready for its Santa Claus entertainment for the children of the Second and Third wards on next Wednesday, the day after Christmas. Members of this club have heretofore been very generous with the little ones, and they will be equally so this Christmas.

COUNT DE SALIS.

Who has succeeded Sir Henry Howard as the British Minister on special mission to the Pope.

## LEGISLATURE

Will Be the First to Act On  
New Prohibition Amend-  
ment.

Leader of the Drys Expected  
to Begin Fight on  
Tobacco.

Republican Administration Not  
Living Up to Efficiency  
Promises.

### BIG FIRES ARE NOW FREQUENT

Week after next the Kentucky Legislature will convene and the eyes of the country will be turned to this way, as this body will be the first to act on the new prohibition law just passed in Washington. Those familiar with the affairs of this State realize that the coming Legislature is practically committed to a prohibition amendment, but its action will be heretofore broadcast by the prohibitionists that Kentucky is anxious to go into the dry column and is more than half way ready to adopt the constitutional amendment as submitted by Congress and the Senate. All of the Kentucky leaders of Democracy from Gov. Stanley down are in favor of submitting the question of State-wide prohibition to the people, and regardless of the action of our national bodies it is hoped that the people of Kentucky will be given an opportunity to register their opposition to this measure. One consoling thought to the people of this State will be that this legislation marks the passing of the hypocrites and fakers who have made Frankfort their headquarters at every legislative session. The usual figure-heads of this clan are the down-and-out country preachers who, not able to secure a church or congregation, use prohibition as their means of making a livelihood. They are assisted by the narrow-minded fanatics who are insane on the subject, and last but not least the wily politician, who uses the Anti-Saloon League and the Prohibitionists to further his political ends.

Kentucky has been cursed with prohibition politics for the past several years and it will be a relief to have the question settled by the people. There has hardly been a Democratic political convention since primary that Haly and Beckham have not held the bugaboo prohibition up to control the party, and good men have been driven from active service because they could not see their way clear to hark back to the days of Salem witchcraft and Puritan fanaticism. In their places sprung up unknown, obscure and incompetent Democratic leaders, under the guise of Forward Leaguers, who presumed to dictate to the party as a whole. The passage of the prohibition measure, back to the security for them, unless they join the anti-tobacco reformers, who hope to follow in the footsteps of the Prohibitionists. In the Republican party stirring old leaders like Senator Bradley and ex-Gov. Wilson have been succeeded by the Republican Prohibitionists like Herty, O'Rear, Bruner and Morrow, all of whom are advocates of down with the demons rum, beer and wine, and probably unintentional advocates of the soft drink dope syrups. Thus both political parties will be in the humor for a house cleaning after the prohibition question is settled.

One of the daily papers this week stated that the local Republican administration is being given much attention by the State Republican leaders and intend that it shall be a foundation for the party in the State. If this is true the party is

grasping at straws, as in its short existence the new administration has already become an object of ridicule and merriment. Murmurs of discontent are growing louder every day and Mayor Smith and his administration give promise of going down in history as the "worst ever." Two weeks ago today the big snow fell here and today we still have most of it in the shape of mud and filth. Broadway, our principal thoroughfare, looks like a road through Horse Cave or Gravel Switch and the streets as a whole remind the oldest residents of a scene just before the war. In the center of the city a little dusting has been done, but the Board of Works and Street Cleaning Department have done most of their flushing in the shape of four-flushing in the newspapers. Garbage is being collected irregularly and many attribute the poor street schedule to the fact that teams and autos are being stalled in the mud and filth.

Mayor Smith, the head of the new "efficiency" administration, has said nothing further about the bogus letters forged in his name just previous to the election, and if he is as indignant as the daily press says he will certainly trace the perpetrators. It has been suggested that he question the men in charge of the G. O. P. headquarters, and it does not seem impossible for his corps of detectives to trace where the letterheads were printed, who did the typewriting and who forged the Mayor's name. It certainly wouldn't take a Sherlock Holmes to trace the guilty ones with clues like the above. In line with the efficiency policy, Secretary Paul Burlingame comes to the front with an explanation that doesn't explain why Mayor Smith appointed Limbach as Gas Inspector, although he finished last in the examination. Mr. Frankel made 87, Mr. Crutcher 84 and Mr. Limbach 82. The Louisville Herald, seeing the weakness of the case and in line with its camouflage policy, squelched the figures in its story.

The Board of Safety is also having its troubles. There are daily changes in the police and fire departments, and whether properly handled or not the big fires of late have not added any laurels to the credit of the latter department. The big fires at the Woman's Club and Louisville Carriage Company were total losses, the ground being the only thing saved. A few more of this kind and our Cincinnati Fire Chief will have the reputation that as a Chief he is a good master mechanic. Rumor has it that Col. Petty, Chief of Police, is not exactly tickled with the material given him in the police department and is anxious to resign. His friend, National Republican Committeeman Herty, wished that job on him.

### RECENT DEATHS.

Funeral services were held over the remains of Mrs. Lula Little, aged thirty-one, on Monday afternoon at St. Patrick's church. Deceased was the sister of Mrs. Della Bean, 1824 West Jefferson, and tuberculosis caused her death.

Death was again busy in St. John's parish, taking William Kennedy, of 540 East Jefferson, and Miss Adell Rolfe, beloved daughter of Christ Rolfe, 729 East Walnut street. Their funerals were held Monday morning. Rev. Father Schumann conducting the solemn services.

The funeral of Mrs. Margaret Riley, a former resident of Shelbyville, took place Thursday morning when requiem mass was celebrated at St. Louis Bertrand's church. She was the widow of Michael Riley and resided at 1124 South Seventh street. Surviving her are two sons and two daughters.

Frank Heslin, beloved husband of Ellen Heslin, 825 West St. Catherine, and for many years a respected resident of the Dominican parish, answered the call of Death on Wednesday. He was fifty-five years old, and leaves two sons. The funeral was held Friday morning from St. Louis Bertrand's church.

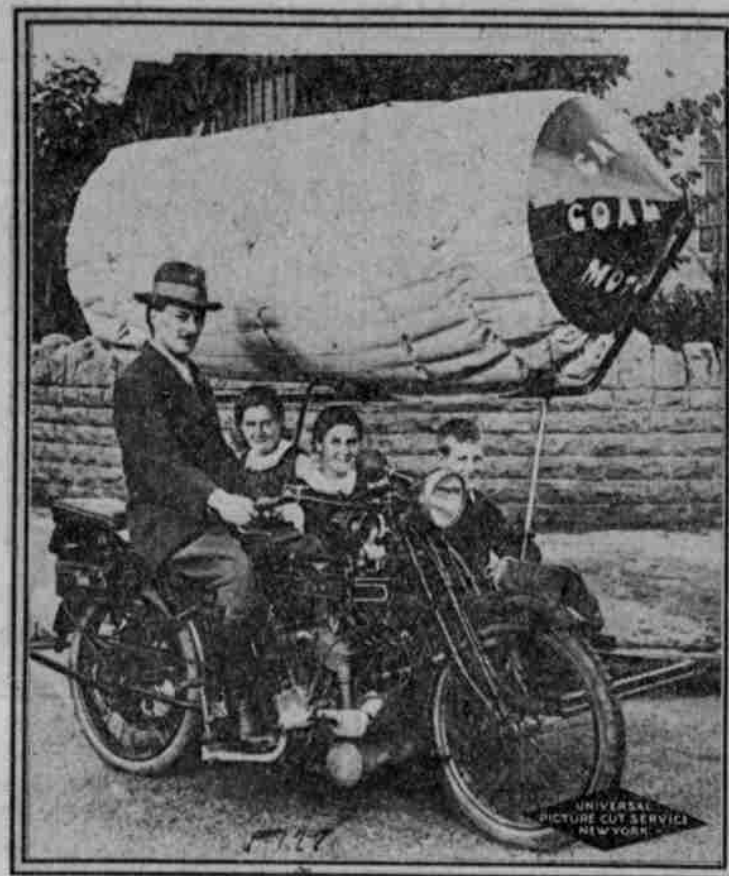
Martin Yourell, Sr., a native of Queen's county, Ireland, but for many years a resident of Louisville, died at his home, 414 East Main street. Surviving him are his wife, Elizabeth Yourell, and four sons, Thomas, Martin, James and John Yourell. The funeral was held Thursday morning from St. Michael's church.

Tuesday morning Mrs. Margaret Connolly, aged fifty-five, beloved wife of Patrick Connolly, succumbed to paralysis at the family residence, 1730 High street. This is the third death in the family within a short time past. Besides her husband she leaves two sons, Joseph and John Connolly, both of the local police department. Her funeral was held from St. Patrick's church.

Miss Maggie McHugh, sixty-three years old, passed peacefully into eternal rest Tuesday at the home of her nephew, Frank P. Burke, 928 Charles street. The deceased was widely known in Catholic circles, and her generous and kindly disposition made her welcome everywhere. Her funeral took place Thursday morning from Sacred Heart church, Rev. Father Walsh celebrating the requiem mass.

### ALL FOR RAY.

The legion of friends of County Clerk Pres Ray were elated Tuesday when they learned that Congressman Sherley and Senators James and Beckham had recommended him for Surveyor of the Port at Louisville, which is equivalent to appointment. Pres Ray has a fine record as an official and will prove a good man for the Surveyorship.



COAL GAS DRIVES THIS MOTOR CYCLE.

Photo shows motor cycle and side car fitted up and driven on coal gas. This is the first time that the coal gas idea has been applied to a motor cycle. The cost of running is about one cent for ten miles.

## CHRISTMAS

The Day When the Music of  
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### THE KIND WORD AND HANDCLASP

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We have spoken of actors and famous opera singers during our service in secular journalism—men and women who, year in and year out, wander through this land, journeying from city to town, sojourning in some places a week or two—in other places only a day. They grow used to it after a while—every place is "home" to them. But on Christmas day these men and women feel lonely and forsaken, and their thoughts wander back home where wife and children dwell—or perhaps parents or sisters or brothers or friends. If they could, there are few who would not journey home during Christmas week. Indeed, one famous singer, the mother of seven or eight children, stipulates in her contracts that she will not sing during Christmas week. Her home is in the East, but she has been known to come all the way from California to spend Christmas with her children.

Then there are the policemen who must patrol their beats on Christmas day just as on the other days of the year. And firemen and motormen and conductors and engineers, mail clerks and letter-carriers, and thousands upon thousands of others, whose duties draw them away from home, at least part of the day.

But sometimes we think that the hardest lot of all falls to the physician who must make his daily rounds to the sick and dying. He must leave his own pleasant, comfortable home—wife and children—to renew his daily acquaintance with distress, disease, death and despair—surely no agreeable companions at any time of the year. But is his lot any harder than that of the hundreds of nurses and ministering sisters in the various hospitals?

And in the large cities you will find a surprising number of men and women, separated from their families by stress of circumstances—by the necessity of earning their daily bread, whose home town is elsewhere, and who can not afford the expense involved in taking the long trip home. These you will see wandering aimlessly in the streets or parks, if the weather permits, on Christmas day; and fortunate indeed is he or she who can participate of the hospitable cheer provided by some newly formed acquaintance. But even so—it is not Christmas at home.

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## CAMP NEWS

Mass Offered at Base Hospital For the Sick Soldiers.

Queen's Daughters Stuck to Their Post Despite Weather.

Catholic Conservation Council Headquarters are Now Open.

### DAILY VISITS TO THE HOSPITAL

Last Sunday morning at Zachary Taylor the holy sacrifice of the mass was offered up for the first time at the base hospital. Chaplain Raphael, about 100 more than half of the Red Cross nurses. Secretaries Kell O'Day visit the hospital morning, taking stationery stamps to the sick men and telegrams to their parents and their condition. It requires days to cover the entire hospital work. The Catholic chaplain now devoting all of their time to hospital work and the boys appreciate every visit they make.

Indianapolis Council, K. of C., sent a barrel of apples to Secretary Kelly's building last week and the fruit was taken to the men and greatly enjoyed by them. Notwithstanding the extreme weather the ladies of the Queen's Daughters have stuck nobly to their posts, serving hot coffee and rolls to all soldiers receiving holy communion at the Catholic buildings every Sunday, which encourages the boys to go to their duties, as they could be deprived of breakfast if it were not for these good ladies. Too much can not be said for the sacrifice the Queen's Daughters make every week, especially with the weather below zero.

Secretary Doyle has his choir in fine shape, singing hymns and music for benediction. The boys are rehearsing the Adepte Fide for the first mass Christmas morning. At the 10 o'clock service Christmas day all of the chaplains will assist at the Pontifical mass. Chaplain Raphael will be the celebrant with Chaplain La as deacon and Chaplain Mahon as sub-deacon. The Christmas message of good cheer will be delivered by Chaplain Rawlinson, of the 334th Infantry. Seven masses were celebrated at the camp Sunday, although the weather was bad but attendance was as good as it has been since the chaplains took charge. The boys are looking forward to spending the holidays at home, one half going Christmas and the other half New Year's.

The choir of St. Louis Bertrand's church, numbering twenty-six voices, under the direction of Prof. Schuetler, will render the musical programme at the high mass at 10 o'clock at the Auditorium, and will sing Haydn's Sixteenth Mass. A punching bag outfit has been installed in building No. 2 and is being used in connection with the boxing instructions by Jimmy Dunn. A wrestling mat is now in use at Secretary Daly's building where the boys are also playing basketball, twenty teams being in the league.

Miss Camille Detert and Louis Maradeix were very agreeably surprised with the number of soldiers reporting for the French class Monday, the class numbering seventy-two, and judging from the questions asked they are all very much interested in learning the rudiments of the French language.

The Catholic Conservation Council, of which Will Reiser is the managing director, has opened headquarters at 311 West Jefferson street, just across the street from the Interurban station. Visitors from Indiana, Illinois or elsewhere are invited to meet their sons at this place, where information of all kinds will be dispensed. All people here in Louisville who have apartments or rooms to spare are requested to file their lists with Mr. Reiser's office, so that visitors can be directed when applications for lodgings are made. Mr. Reiser, who is managing the work of the Catholic Conservation Council, is giving all of his time to this war work, and he respectfully requests that donations for the soldiers be sent through the Conservation Council, which represents all Catholic societies and parish clubs interested in the work at Camp Zachary Taylor. It is the intention of the Conservation Council to furnish everything needed at the camp, so that the soldiers will not be called upon to contribute toward any fund necessary for keeping the work going.

The people of Louisville have donated very generously toward the war activities, and will do their best again rather than have the soldiers asked for money.

### NEW ALBANY.

Mrs. Conrad Kraft, an old resident of New Albany, is suffering from pneumonia at the home of her daughter, Mrs. H. F. Malone, at New Orleans, La. Owing to her age, ninety-one years, great apprehension is felt on account of her condition. Councilman-at-large J. A. Kraft and Henry Kraft are her sons.

### GERMANY'S PEACE HOPE.

Dr. Richard von Kuhlmann, the new Foreign Minister of the German Empire, whose appointment was made with a view to peace,